

in virtue of the article 31 of the act 4 Vict. chap 22, to approve the following rules :

RULES concerning the Depository for books and other school furniture, established by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, under article 31 of 49 Victoria, chap. 22, 1876.

1. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall establish, organize and administer the depository for books and other school necessities, authorized by 40 Victoria, chap. 22, sect. 29, 1876, by means of the amount voted by the Legislature, and with the help of clerks engaged by him, by the month or by the year, whose pay shall not exceed \$2.00 per day. He shall transmit the names of such *employés* to the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

2 The Superintendent shall purchase the articles to be kept in the depository, and sell them to school municipalities at cost price, *plus* cost of storage and dispatch.

3. School Municipalities must pay cash or authorize the Superintendent to retain the amount of their order from their annual grant. As to those that come under the head of poor municipalities, the Superintendent may retain from their ordinary annual grant, or from their supplementary grant, the whole or part of the amount of their orders, or for purchases made previously and still due.

4. School Commissioners and Trustees, in regular meeting assembled shall decide, after due deliberation noted in the minutes of said meeting, as to the nature and amount of purchase to be made, and as to the manner of payment; if considered necessary they may authorize some one to make payment and receive the goods; the following resolution should then be adopted :

"The said commissioners (or trustees) oblige themselves to distribute these books and school necessities, according to law and to the rules laid down by the Superintendent, to the pupils of the schools under their control exclusively."

5. Orders signed by the chairman and secretary treasurer of Commissioners or Trustees, should be addressed to the Superintendent, and may be according to the following form :

"Place and date.

"To the Superintendent of Public Instruction,
Quebec.

"Sir,
"The School Commissioners (or Trustees) of the municipality of _____ in the county of _____ at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____ have decided to purchase for the use of schools under their control the following school necessities :

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"Please find inclosed amount of foregoing order, (or Please retain amount of this order from the annual grant credited to our municipality.) Address :

"Or, as the case may be : "The bearer is duly authorized to pay amount of this order and to receive the goods.

"In testimony whereof, we have signed and if the municipality have a seal, and hereunto set the seal of our school municipality at this day of 18

A. B.

Chairman.

C. D.

Secretary Treasurer.

6. Forms of orders and catalogues of articles to be found at the depository are furnished to School Municipalities by the Superintendent.

7.—1. All letters concerning the purchase of books or other necessities, shall be entered in the ordinary register for letters received at the Department of Public Instruction, or in a special book, and *docketed* with date and amount of order marked thereon.

2 All sums of money received shall be entered in a special book, and then deposited in a bank, in the name of the Superintendent as trustee for the depository.

3. Amounts retained on annual grants shall also be placed in bank, after having been credited to the depository in the book of money received, and debited to the municipalities in the book of grants forwarded.

4. The clerk charged with the dispatch of school necessities shall enter in a book for that purpose, the date and amount of such order and the name of the person making it, as also the date and amount of the bill, and according to circumstances, the name of the person to whom, goods are delivered, or the manner in which they have been forwarded.

8. When Commissioners or Trustees have provided by assessments for the payment of their orders, or if they have authorized the retention of the amount on their annual grant, they shall immediately distribute the articles purchased to the pupils gratuitously; if they have not so provided they shall sell them at cost price.

The rate of assessments required for the purchase of school necessities, is fixed according to the number of children of an age to attend school, according to the recommendation of the Catholic Committee of the Council of Public Instruction.

10. The Superintendent will render, every six months, to the Provincial Secretary, an account of the operations of the depository.

Examinations for Teachers' Diploma

In accordance with the regulations drawn up by the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction, and issued by the Department of Public Instruction, protestant candidates for Diplomas coming before protestant and mixed boards, are hereby notified that said candidates shall, on, and after, the first Tuesday of November 1877, be examined by written or printed papers on every subject, except *Dictation, Reading and Mental Arithmetic*. Papers prepared by a joint-committee appointed for that purpose, will be issued to all the said Boards of Examiners.

The following is a list of subjects of examination.

I. PRELIMINARY.

"All candidates for any grade of Diploma must pass in the following subjects :—

	Marks.
1. English Dictation (including hand writing)	50
2. English Reading	50
3. English Grammar	50
4. Arithmetic (ordinary rules)	50
5. Geography (4 Continents and British Nord America)....	50
6. Sacred History (one Historical Book of the Old Testament and one of the Gospels)	50

"No candidate shall pass unless he shall have obtained one-third of the Marks in each of the above, except Dictation and Reading in which two-thirds shall be required.

"Candidates for a higher Diploma, who have already passed in these subjects, may be exempted from further examination in them."

2. SPECIAL.

(a). Elementary Diploma.

	Marks.
"1. Art of Teaching as in Abbot's Teacher and Morrison's Art of Teaching	100
2. History of England and of Canada	100
3. French, Dictation, Grammar and Reading, in the case of those who desire a certificate in that language	100

"Candidates must take at least one-third of the Marks to pass; but if below this standard they may be passed for a second class Elementary Diploma. Candidates in French taking two-thirds of the Marks shall be entitled to special mention of the subject in the Diploma.

(b). Model School Diploma.

	Marks.
1. English composition (a short Essay)	100
2. Advanced Arithmetic and Mensuration	100
3. Geometry, Euclid, Books I, II, III	100
4. Algebra, including Simple Equations	100
+5. French, Dictation, Grammar and Reading	100
+6. History of England and of Canada	100
+7. Art of Teaching, as above	100
8. Book-keeping, use of the Globes, or Linear Drawing	100

"Candidates must obtain at least one-third of the marks in each subject. If only partially successful they may be awarded Elementary Diplomas.